



THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

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The Honorable Jane Harman
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

JANE:
Dear ~~Congresswoman~~ Harman:

Thank you for your May 3 letter, cosigned by your congressional colleagues, transmitting a statement of principles for developing a regional air transportation plan for Southern California.

I certainly agree that this issue should be approached from a regional perspective. Much has already been accomplished, but a great deal remains to be done; your principles are very valuable in highlighting the key considerations that must be addressed. I assure you that the U.S. Department of Transportation will support State, local, and regional efforts to shape a regional plan and develop the consensus to implement it.

I look forward to working with you as this important effort proceeds. Identical letters have been sent to the cosigners of your letter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Norman Y. Mineta", is written over the typed name.

Norman Y. Mineta